Table 5a. Average Cost, Aid, Net Cost, and Percent of Cost Covered by Enrollment Level, 1996-1997: All Students

| Cost and aid | Postsecondary cost, aid, net cost, and percent of cost covered: all students | | | | |
| | | Enrollment level | | | |
	Total enrolled	College years 1 to 2	College years 3 to 4	College years 5 and higher	Vocational, technical, business school, or other
TOTAL, 17 years and older					
Total cost					
Mean (Average)	$5,509	$5,676	$7,538	$7,362	$1,765
Standard error	$123	$198	$261	$376	$123
Total aid					
Mean (Average)	$2,441	$2,337	$2,893	$4,374	$771
Standard error	$77	$116	$149	$291	$65
Net cost					
Mean (Average)	$3,069	$3,339	$4,645	$2,988	$994
Standard error	$115	$196	$251	$344	$116
Percent of total cost covered by aid					
Mean (Average)	36	34	36	39	34
Standard error	1	1	1	1	1
None received					
Total cost					
Mean (Average)	$4,092	$4,442	$6,149	$5,112	$1,333
Standard error	$155	$266	$370	$450	$110
Total aid					
Mean (Average)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Standard error	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Net cost					
Mean (Average)	$4,092	$4,442	$6,149	$5,112	$610
Standard error	$155	$266	$370	$450	$183
Percent of total cost covered by aid					
Mean (Average)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Standard error	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Aid received					
Total cost					
Mean (Average)	$6,722	$6,734	$8,461	$9,240	$2,255
Standard error	$181	$282	$351	$554	$201
Total aid					
Mean (Average)	$4,529	$4,340	$4,816	$8,025	$1,645
Standard error	$123	$181	$208	$433	$124
Net cost					
Mean (Average)	$2,193	$2,394	$3,645	$1,215	$610
Standard error	$163	$276	$332	$484	$183
Percent of total cost covered by aid					
Mean (Average)	66	64	60	72	73
Standard error	1	1	1	1	1

Footnotes:
(X) Not applicable.
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